## WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 2900

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served August 26, 1986

Case No. CP-86-05

Application of THE AIRPORT	)
CONNECTION, INC., for Special	)
Authorization to Perform Charter	)
Operations Pursuant to Contract -	)
Close Up Foundation	)

By application filed August 4, 1986, The Airport Connection, Inc., seeks authorization to conduct charter operations pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 under a contract with Close Up Foundation, transporting youth educational groups and their teachers between points in the Metropolitan District.

Order No. 2890, served August 5, 1986, generally described the evidence submitted with this application, and that order is incorporated herein by reference. Applicant was required to publish notice of its application in a newspaper and file an affidavit of such publication. Applicant has complied with these requirements. Protests, if any, were due August 25, 1986, and none was filed.

Commission Regulation No. 70, which governs the processing of this application, provides that the application shall be granted if it is determined that the applicant is fit, willing and able properly to perform the proposed service and to conform to the provisions of the Compact and the rules, regulations, and orders of the Commission thereunder and if it is determined that the proposed operation conforms to the provisions of Regulation No. 70. The issue of whether the public convenience and necessity require such service has been decided in Case No. MP-79-04. See Order No. 2004, served June 20, 1979.

Inasmuch as the contract is for a period in excess of 181 days, is between an accredited private school and a carrier, and calls for the transportation of students and their teachers, the proposal conforms to the provisions of Regulation No. 70. The Commission also finds that applicant has demonstrated its fitness to meet the

obligations described above and that the application should be granted. An appropriate authorization shall issue forthwith.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COMMISSION,

William H. McGilvery Executive Director